

Veterans Memorial Park of Kentucky Groundbreaking Set for May 23 in Oldham County

The board of directors of the Veterans Memorial Park of Kentucky, Inc. invites all to the groundbreaking ceremony for the Veterans Memorial Park of Kentucky Thursday, May 23, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. at South Oldham High School, 5901 Veterans Memorial Parkway, Crestwood, Kentucky.

Medal of Honor Recipient Hershel "Woody" Williams, (USMC), WW II, Iwo Jima, will be the guest speaker

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hershel_W._Williams

7-minute Video vignette, very well done: http://m.youtube.com/#/watch?v=fGts5WeLEgk&desktop_uri=%2Fwatch%3Fv%3Df Gts5WeLEgk

Veterans Memorial Park of Kentucky, Inc., a 501c3 organization, is creating the park to recognize those who served in our military, especially those who paid the ultimate price, and to educate park visitors on our nation's military history.

The education aspect is what will make this project one of the most unique in America, educating our youth in the sacrifices made by so many. The park's goal of youth education is extremely important because history education today focuses more than ever on social history rather than military history, a critical foundation of our freedom, he notes.

The 33,000-plus square foot park will be located on school property, in the area of South Oldham High School, South Oldham Middle School, and Camden Station and Kenwood Station Elementary Schools. Youth will directly be involved in the project.

There will also be an area designated the "LZ" where military units and veterans' organizations can have markers representing their units/organizations. Bronze dioramas showing military figures throughout history are planned later in the Park's development.

For more information on the Veterans Memorial Park of Kentucky, contact Board Chair Don Helton at 502-243-9998/<u>chair@VeteransMemorialParkKy.org</u> or visit the website at <u>www.VeteransMemorialParkKy.org</u>.